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THREE CENTS

Of Interest Here

Many local friends will be interested in the announcement of the engagement made recently by Mr. and Mrs. Evan S. McCord of the Highlands, Seattle, Washington, of Mr. McCord's only daughter, Harriet, to Francis Wayland Pattison, Jr., son of Mrs. F. W. Pattison of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, and the late Rev. Mr. Pattison.

Miss McCord revealed the information at the University of Washington, from which she will graduate in June, when following a tradition there she presented a box of chocolates to her sorority sisters at the Kappa Gamma sorority house.

The bride-elect, the granddaughter of Mrs. Rollin Sanford and the late Mr. Fred H. Baxter, was educated at Westover School in Middlebury, Conn., and St. Nicholas School for Girls.

Mr. Pattison was graduated from Horton Academy in Wolfville, Nova Scotia, attended the University of Washington where he is a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity and is now at Creighton Medical School in Omaha, Nebraska.

The wedding will take place this summer.

The Grange Meeting

At its regular meeting Tuesday evening of this week in Grange Hall the Grange entertained many members from mother nearby Granges who listened to a talk by Mrs. Bessie I. Murray of Northboro, Ceres of the State Grange, on a most interesting subject.

The Grange voted to attend neighbors' night with the Guilford Grange on June 6 and provide the program. It was also reported that the Pomona Grange meeting in Montague Wednesday evening would have a good delegation. After the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Pearl Allen and the Misses Dorothy and Vera Allen.

Town Topics

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Robert A. Watson of Jamaica, N. Y., have arrived for a short stay at their cottage in Mountain Park.

Rev. Mary Andrews Conner is with friends at present in Colorado making the return trip from California. She expects to reach Northfield by June 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar E. Coburn are expected at their summer home on Myrtle Street next week. They have left Orlando, Florida, where they spent the winter and are on their way north.

Fire Destroys Church

Fire destroyed the beautiful Grecian designed, 112-year-old church of the First Presbyterian Congregation of New Brunswick, N. J., early on Saturday morning, May 10th. The church was located in the downtown area of the city and its minister was Rev. Dr. Cordis J. Culp, well known in Northfield as a former summer resident and with his family they spent many summers here.

The church was a total loss and carried about \$160,000 insurance. The congregation observed its 200th anniversary in 1926, and Dr. Culp has been its pastor for the past thirty years. The church will worship in the chapel of Rutgers University which has been offered to them, pending plans for rebuilding. The records and vestments of the church were saved. The cause of the disastrous fire was not known.

Frank H. Lombard

After a long period of failing health Frank H. Lombard of Ashuelot Road died at his home on Tuesday, May 6th, at the age of 68 years. He was a well-known and respected citizen. He was born in Swansey, N. H., Aug. 12, 1878 and was educated in the schools of Swansey and of Keene.

He was the first observer at the lookout station on Mt. Grace in Warwick. Later he became associated with the New England Box Company of Winchester as a surveyor of lumber and forestry work. In 1924 he moved to Hinsdale where he established a meat business. Later he moved to Northfield where he continued his meat business as long as his health permitted.

He is survived by his widow, Jennie (Reed) Lombard, and the following children: Mrs. Floyd Pollard of St. Johnsbury, Vt., Mrs. George Ruber and Mrs. Guy Bouchie of Hinsdale, Frank and George Lombard and Mrs. Julian Black of Northfield, Mrs. Ruth Wilson of Hallowell, Me., and Mrs. James Cormie of Greenfield.

There are 23 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was the oldest of six boys of whom four survive. They are George H. Lombard of Canton, Louis and Clinton Lombard of Keene, N. H., and Perley Lombard of Washington and Presque Isle, Maine.

Funeral services will be in the Trinitarian Congregational Church, East Northfield, Friday at 2 P. M.

"What part of your car causes the most accidents?"

"The nut that holds the wheel."

Harris-Allen

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Rikert of Main Street last Friday evening, May 9, their daughter, Mrs. Carolyn (Rikert) Allen, was married to Richard David Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Laurie L. Harris of Bernardston, with Rev. Joseph W. Reeves officiating in a double ring ceremony.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a gown of white brocaded satin with sweetheart neckline and fingertip veil. She carried a bouquet of white roses and sweetpeas.

Miss Ruth Rikert of Herkimer, N. Y., sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Laurie Harris, Jr., of Bernardston, was best man for his brother.

A reception for members of the families followed and then the couple departed for a wedding trip.

The bride was graduated from Northfield School for Girls and the Perry Kindergarten instructors' school in Boston. She taught for three years in Portsmouth, N. H.

The bridegroom was graduated from Northfield High School and served for 3 years in the Army. He is in business with his father in Bernardston.

Out Together

A Kansas cyclone hit a farm house just before dawn one morning. It lifted the roof off, picked up the bed on which the farmer and his wife slept and set it down gently in the back yard.

The wife was crying softly. "Don't be scared, Mary," her husband said, "we're not hurt."

Mary continued to cry. "I'm not scared," she responded between sobs. "I'm just happy 'cause this is the first time in 14 years we've been out together."

"What is alimony, mother?" asked the eight-year-old daughter of an insurance broker.

"Alimony, my dear, is a man's cash surrender value."

Women's Guild Elect

The Women's Guild of the Congregational Church, at its recent annual meeting reviewed its accomplishments for the past year with gratification. They have proved their value as a useful organization and look forward to more and abundant success. The officers chosen for the coming year are as follows:

Mrs. Frank Montague, president; Mrs. Edgar Livingston, first-president; Mrs. Philip Mann, Jr., secretary; and Mrs. Raymond Carter, treasurer.

Town Topics

It has been announced that on June 1st, spare stamp No. 12 will be valid for ten pounds of sugar. Good news to housewives who will want to plan for canning.

The local WCTU will meet at the home of Mrs. Philip Porter on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, May 21st, when Mrs. Grace C. Cornell and Mrs. Leon R. Alexander will relate the activities of the organization in St. Petersburg, Florida, as they observed it last winter.

Directors of the Vernon Home held a meeting there on Tuesday evening and transacted routine business. There was a good attendance.

Bibles were presented to the various Vernon schools by the Gideons of which Ernest W. Dunklee is president of the Franklin County Chapter.

Alfred E. Holton of West Northfield is back at work again after being confined to his home with injuries received in an automobile accident.

Johnny: "Why do they put the telephone wires on such high poles, father?"

Father: "Oh, that's to keep up the conversation."

Gladys: "Which is more satisfied, a man with a million dollars or a man with six children?"

Ethel: "A man with six children."

Gladys: "Can you prove it?"

Ethel: "Why, a man with a million dollars wants more."

Farm Women Elect

At the recent annual meeting of the Ladies' Benevolent Society of Northfield Farms there was every indication that it was an active and progressive organization and that its program for the ensuing year was full of promise. After a supper at the Library the business meeting was held and the election of officers followed which resulted as follows:

Mrs. Ethel Fowler, president; Mrs. Agnes Hammond, vice-president; Mrs. Margaret Shearer, treasurer; Mrs. Edith Williams, secretary; Mrs. Dorothy Clough, Mrs. Gertrude Luey, Mrs. Marion Billings, directors; Mrs. Virginia Leach and Mrs. Marion Billings, social committee.

It happened at an income tax office in Washington. A resident with his form all filled out, approached the "Pay" window and laid a quarter on the ledge.

"What's that for?" asked the clerk, who had read the total amount of the tax.

"Well, they done told me I could pay it in quarters."

A distinguished visitor to a lunatic asylum went to the telephone and found difficulty in getting his connection. Exasperated, he shouted to the operator "Look here, girl, do you know who I am?"

"No," came back the calm reply, "but I know where you are!"

One of the most famous expressions of movie parlance is MOS. It originated with a foreign director who wanted to shoot a scene without sound and said, half in German and half in English, "Mit out sound." To this day, silent scenes are labeled MOS.

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PTA Group Elects

The Northfield Parent-Teachers Association, which has come to the fore recently in a progressive way, held its annual meeting on Monday evening in Alexander with a goodly attendance. Those chosen to serve for the new year are Mrs. Philip Mann, Jr., president; Harold McLean, vice-president; Mrs. Charles White, secretary; Edgar Livingston, treasurer. At the meeting pupils from Center School rendered a program of music directed by Mrs. Leonard Stebbins, music supervisor, and Ross Minott of Greenfield exhibited several musical instruments and explained their use. Refreshments were served by a committee. Attending the meeting was Mrs. William Killeen of Greenfield, the PTA district director who installed the officers.

Joins School Staff

Miss Elisabeth Kuhn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kuhn of Easthampton, Mass., has joined the staff of the Northfield Schools as a secretary in the Public Relations Department. She graduated from the Northampton Commerce College in 1944 and for the past three years has been employed at United Aircraft Corporation, East Hartford, Conn. She is making her home here at the Valley Vista Inn.

Town Topics

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Barfitt of Myrtle Street at the Brattleboro Memorial Hospital on Monday, May 12. Granddaughter to Mr. and Mrs. Carroll H. Miller of this town and great-granddaughter to Luckey O. Clapp of this town and to Mrs. Lloyd L. Miller of Greenfield.

Mrs. Wayne B. Wells of Main Street attended a reunion of her class 1917 at Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Spoor of Kingston, N. Y., spent last week end at the cottage of Miss Ethel V. Lawrence on Myrtle Street. Miss Lawrence, who has been spending the winter at her home in Madison, N. J., and visiting her niece at Kingston, returned with them.

Delegates representing the local Unitarian Church at the annual meeting of the American Unitarian Association and its various organizations which will be held in Boston May 17 to 22 are Rev. Hazel Rogers Gredler, the minister, Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed, Mrs. Selah Harriman and Mrs. Clara Hale.

Mrs. Maude N. Voris of Jamaica, N. Y., is expected at her summer cottage in Mountain Park next week.

Mrs. Russell Durgin has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle and at the meeting of the Women's Missionary Society held at the home of Mrs. H. F. Cutler last week she spoke of the missionary work being done in Japan.

Rt. Rev. John T. Dallas, bishop of the diocese of the Episcopal Church of New Hampshire has announced his intention to retire in April, 1948. The bishop has been a frequent visitor to Northfield and also a speaker at both of the Northfield Schools.

The death of Mme. Louise Homer (Mrs. Sidney Homer), which took place at her home in Winter Park, Florida, May 6, after a few weeks' illness at the age of 76, leaves many friends in Northfield to mourn her loss. She had been a leading contralto in opera and on the concert stage and had frequently visited here, where her voice had been heard at the Northfield Schools.

The American Red Cross has announced from its office in Washington that the 1947 fund appeal has been oversubscribed. The national quota was \$60,000,000 and \$75,322,700 was secured.

Mrs. Cora Laballe of this town has transferred property, land and buildings on School Street to her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred O. Laballe.

Children's Day will be fittingly observed in the Trinitarian Congregational Church on Sunday, June 8th, at the morning service.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel C. Donahue, who recently sold their property on the Millers Falls Road, have purchased a home in Millers Falls and will reside there.

A daughter, Linda, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Parsons of this town at the Franklin County Hospital on Wednesday, May 7, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Tanney of the Farms and to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Parsons of Millers Falls. Great-granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dunklee of South Vernon.

Soon will come Father's Day. It will be observed on Sunday, June 15, and "daddy" will come into his own.

Miss Betty Frances Hasbrouck of Stone Ridge, N. Y., and Henry W. S. Bangert of Hollis, N. Y., were married in Marbletown Reformed Church on Saturday, May 10. Miss Hasbrouck is a graduate of the Northfield School for Girls and Syracuse University. They will reside in Hollis.

The grammar schools of Vernon will hold their graduation exercises in the South Vernon Church on Thursday, June 5th.

Mrs. Selah Harriman, a member of the Women's Alliance of the Unitarian Church, has been chosen a delegate to attend the state session of Women's Alliances to be held in Boston, May 21st.

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Saturday, May 17, Dr. William E. Park, president of the Northfield Schools, will attend the inauguration of his sister, Dr. Rosemary Park, as president of Connecticut College at New London. Governor James McConaughy of Connecticut, an alumnus of Mount Hermon School and a trustee of the Northfield Schools, will also be present.

Alumnae Reunions

This week-end will see the return of about 150 alumnae to the campus of Northfield School for Girls. The occasion will be the annual reunion of all five-year classes from 1887 through 1942. The graduates will live at the Chateau, returning to the campus for all meals and most of their meetings. The program will open Friday evening with an informal recital in Phillips Hall. Saturday morning will begin with a visitation of familiar haunts on the campus and continue with the annual meeting of the Alumnae Association at 10:30. The speakers on this occasion will be Dr. Mira Wilson, the principal, and several students who will review campus functions of the year. Luncheon Saturday noon will be followed by class meetings and repetition of the Tree Day pageant. The high light of the week-end will be a "punch party" given by the Alumnae Association in honor of the Senior class at the Chateau Saturday evening. The speaker on this occasion will be Miss Doris Cochrane, Information and Liaison officer in the Division of Public Liaison of the State department. Her headquarters is in Washington and she was a delegate to the San Francisco conference in 1945. The "old girls" will attend the Sunday morning chapel service and will close their active week-end with a meeting of the Students' Aid Society, to be held in Center Gould living room immediately after dinner.

Appeal Is Issued

Nearly all letters of appeal for contributions to the local Salvation Army Fund has been sent out and prompt responses are coming in. Each year the local committee have been able to relieve distress and suffering and especially where fire has destroyed homes or serious illness has impaired the bread-winner. Since the reserve fund held by the local treasurer is low, the need for this season's campaign is quite necessary. The chairman of the Northfield committee is Ross L. Spencer and the treasurer is William F. Hoehn.

There will be several new residents on Rustic Ridge this season to enjoy their first summer there. Among them will be Miss Ruth Brown who has purchased the Ackerman cottage; Kenneth M. Page who purchased the Wheaton cottage; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Huber who now own Sutherland; Miss Naomi Markley who purchased Kinsman; Miss Alice Lane who owns the Wisdom cottage; Miss Elva Lippincott who bought the Doremus property.

This Is To Remind You**The 1947 Conference Season**

- June 18—June 26
NORTHFIELD GIRLS' CONFERENCE
- June 27—July 5
NORTHFIELD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE
- July 7—July 16
NORTHFIELD CONFERENCE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
- July 19—July 26
MASSACHUSETTS CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR CONFERENCE
- July 26—August 2
UNITED PRESBYTERIAN EASTERN SUMMER CONFERENCE
- August 2—August 11
NORTHFIELD GENERAL CONFERENCE

Speakers Sunday

The speaker at Russell Sage Chapel, Northfield School for Girls, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock will be Dr. Kenneth Brown, president, Denison University, Grantville, Ohio. At Memorial Chapel, Mount Hermon, the Rev. Earl F. Spencer, First Baptist Church, Poughkeepsie, New York, will preach.

For Memorial Day

Memorial Day will be Friday, May 30th, and will be fittingly observed in Northfield as in former years. The local American Legion will act as the committee in charge for the town and the sum of \$175 was voted at the town annual meeting to cover the expenses.

As usual there will be a parade of all patriotic organizations in the morning following which patriotic demonstrations will be held at the High School, veterans tablet, the Town Hall, roll of honor and tablet and at Center Cemetery. There will be a speaker with music by a band.

The committee of the Legion named in charge of details consist of Vice-Commander Robert Hubbell, chairman; Harold Bigelow, Edgar Livingston, George Marshall, Joseph Smolen and Thomas Hurley.

The Women's Guild of the Congregational Church have announced that they will hold a fair for the sale of fancy articles and a supper on Friday, August 8, for the benefit of the church building fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Holton have begun construction of a home on the lot recently purchased by them from Mr. and Mrs. Young on Main Street.

Homemakers Day

Mount Hermon School was the place selected in this county for a meeting of women in observance of Homemakers Day of the National Home Demonstration Agency and nearly 300 people were in attendance. There were many women from this town present and all were interested in the various exhibits of women's work and in the program which focused attention to the many contributions made by women to the improvement of the home. The gathering was held last Friday.

The "prom" of the Junior class of the High School was well attended at the Town Hall last Friday evening when music was by the Bergons.

At the meeting of the local Chapter of the Eastern Star held last week at Masonic Hall it was voted to install a memorial to the memory of the late Charles C. and Lucy Stearns.

A notable agricultural demonstration will soon be made in Northfield under the sponsorship of the Farm Bureau and details are in charge of George W. Carr. An announcement will soon be made.

Dr. Howard Rubendall, headmaster of Mount Hermon School, will be the speaker at the Hotchkiss School, Lakeville, Conn., on Sunday morning and in the evening he will speak at Miss Porter's School, Farmington, Conn.

Mrs. Florence Russell of Greenfield has rented the Richardson cottage in Pine Grove for summer use from the owner, S. A. Ridlon of Concord, N. H., and Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor of New York will occupy the cottage of Miss Allen in Mountain Park.

Picky's Grill, the popular local eating place, has met with sufficient success and plans expansion in the near future. The restaurant is meeting with favorable patronage.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Robert Bonner Jack are on a visit with friends in Philadelphia this week end.

Woodruff Way on Rustic Ridge is being improved in the section near Mountain Road which will make for safer and better travel. Continued improvements are planned for the next three years. The Rustic Ridge Association will spend nearly \$400 in improving its private roads this year.

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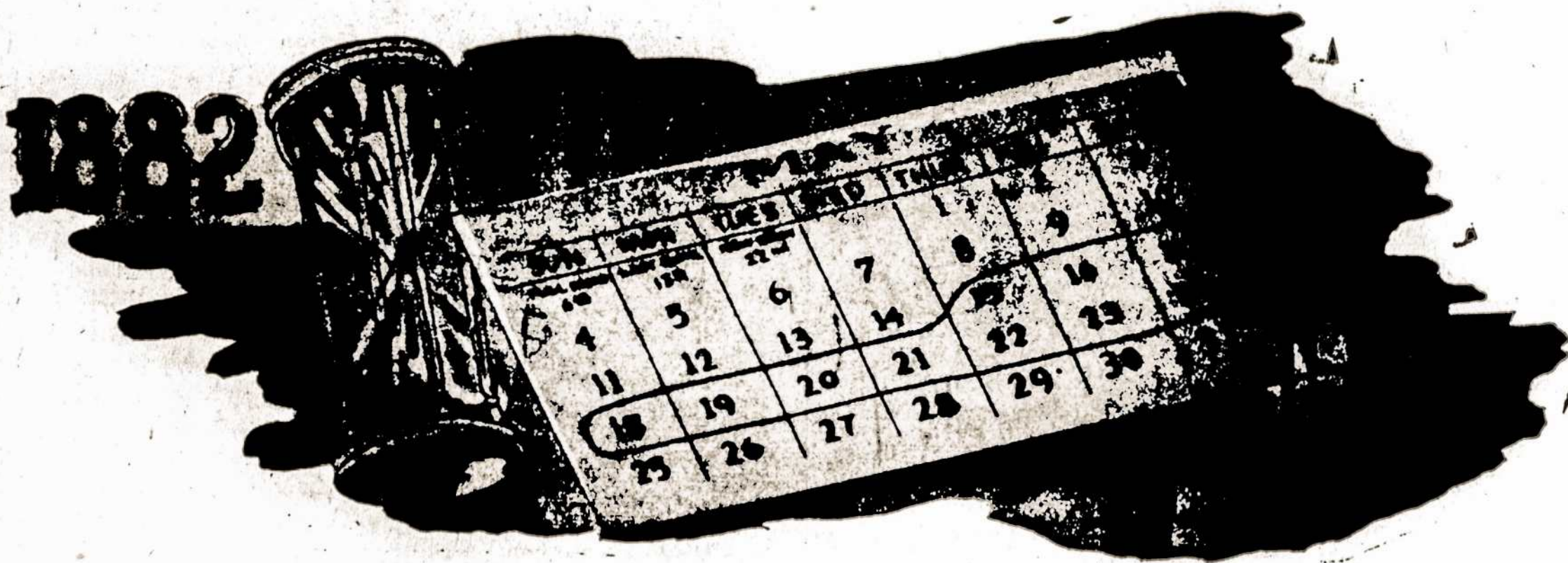
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